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In re Application of:

David L. Patton, et al.

**DETECTING THE PRESENCE OF  
FAILURE(S) IN EXISTING MAN-  
MADE STRUCTURES**

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In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2004, please  
reconsider the rejection of the above-identified application, without prejudice, in  
view of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.